

ALASKA RARE COINS

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AUCTION: TO BE HELD AT 7:00 P.M., APRIL 8TH IN FAIRBANKS. These are just the Alaskan items. If you want a complete listing, please call or write to the address above. Phone bids may be called in between 10:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Monday to Saturday (noon on the day of the auction). Bids will also be accepted at the e-mail address above.

ALASKA TOKENS

		ESTIMATE
228	Alaska Token: Anchorage , Collins Cigar Store, 12½¢ in trade, B-13a, EF with light corrosion. A rare token.	300.00
229	Alaska Token: Anchorage , Kustatan Packing Co., 5¢ in trade, B-26a, EF or so.	50.00
230	Alaska Token: Anchorage , Masonic Penny, B-28bI, EF. Masonic Pennies are a specialty unto themselves and Alaska Pennies are among the scarcest.	150.00
231	Alaska Token: Anchorage , Union Club and Pool Hall, 12½¢, B-37a, VF. Another very scarce token.	175.00
232	Alaska Tokens: Chatanika , Dempsey Hotel, N.G. Cox, 25¢ and 50¢, B-3a and b. The 25¢ is quite common and is dug token, lightly cleaned with light corrosion. The 50¢ is a very scarce token rarely offered for sale. It is Fine and cleaned. Don't let the condition hold you back. You are not likely to see another for years! 2 pcs.	350.00
233	Alaska Token: Chitina , Overland Hotel, 6¼¢, B-5a, Fine, a little dirty with very light corrosion. Scarce token from a neat little town.	300.00
234	Alaska Token: Cordova , Chas. M. Rosswog, 6¼¢, B-34b, Fine, dark with some corrosion.	45.00
235	Alaska Token: Cordova , Southern Club, 6¼¢, B-36a, XF with luster, some spotting.	75.00
236	Alaska Token: Dalby , Joe Notti, 25¢, B-1a, XF but it has a few small dents and dings. A very rare token from a one merchant location (Benice states that it was "never officially a village).	300.00
237	Alaska Token: Dillingham , Lowe Trading Co., 5¢, B-4a. Sharp XF but dark. A scarce token.	200.00
238	Alaska Tokens: Fairbanks , Brown Derby set of 4: 5¢, 10¢, 12½¢ and 25¢, B-10, a-d, grading AU/BU, EF, EF+ and AU/BU respectively. While the catalogue shows the 10¢ as the scarcest, we find think the 12½¢ deserves that distinction. A total of 4 pieces.	375.00
239	Alaska Token: Fairbanks , Chisolm & Hall, 12½¢, B-12a, VF. A nice, old scarce token.	125.00
240	Alaska Token: Fairbanks , Fairbanks Cigar Store, 5¢, B-17a, EF-AU with luster.	50.00
241	Alaska Token: Fairbanks , Fairbanks Cigar Store, \$1, B-17b, EF. This is a very rare, bi-metal token with copper center and aluminum ring. Bi-metal tokens are a collecting specialty and Alaska bi-metals are tough!	400.00
242	Alaska Token: Fairbanks , Hall's Bookstore, 12½¢, B-24b, F-VF. Nice old brass token.	125.00
243	Alaska Token: Fairbanks , Horseshoe Saloon, One Drink, B-26a, Fine, but has some surface problems. Really not detracting on this very rare saloon token.	350.00
244	Alaska Token: Fairbanks , Idle Hour Club, 10¢, B-27b, dark XF. If memory serves me, we originally purchased this token from a musician who came through Fairbanks one summer. After playing the clubs at night, he would metal detect during the day. Quite scarce, the only Idle Hour Club tokens we have seen came from him!	250.00
245	Alaska Tokens: Flat , William Kruhm, 50¢ and \$1, B-2 a and b. Both are EF-AU, the 50¢ has some light corrosion. Scarce tokens from a gold mining settlement. Two pieces.	225.00
246	Alaska Token: Indian Mountain , 708 NCO Open Mess set of 3; 5¢, 10¢ and 25¢, B-1aI, bI and cI, all EF or better. Military tokens from the cold war era are not as easy to find as one might expect. Three pieces.	40.00
247	Alaska Tokens: Juneau Milk Tokens . Juneau Douglas Schools ½ Pint, B-34b; Juneau (Schools) ½ Pint, B-40a I and II. B-40aII is missing a bottom edge. The other two pieces are EF. Not easy to find.	25.00
248	Alaska Token: Ketchikan , Arctic Club Rooms, \$1, B-4b, EF.	75.00
249	Alaska Token: Ketchikan , Lucky Spot, 5¢, B-32a, VF but with some bends and scratches.	75.00
250	Alaska Token: Latouche , Board of Trade, 6¼¢, B-1a. A scarce token with a couple of problems: a hole at 5:00 obverse (but neatly done) and solder on the reverse. Otherwise, Fine.	75.00
251	Alaska Tokens: Murphy Dome , group of three tokens: Open Mess 10¢, B-2a; NCO Open Mess 5¢ and 25¢, B-3a and d. All EF or better. Three pieces.	35.00
252	Alaska Token: (Nome) , One Lead Pencil, B-2a, dark EF. I like mystery tokens, but I am not going to tackle this one. It has been around forever, but no one can pin it down.	125.00
253	Alaska Token: Nome , Cavey's Bakery, 1 Loaf of Bread, B-13a, VF but with some small nicks and scratches, fully acceptable on this rare token.	300.00
254	Alaska Token: Nome , N. & A. Co., 5¢, B-34a, Fine, dark and corroded. Scarce, early piece.	125.00
255	Alaska Token: Nome , New Lincoln Bar, 50¢, B-36a, VF, dark, cleaned. Probably a fire salvage piece as are most.	50.00
256	Alaska Tokens: Palmer , Alaska Rural Rehabilitation Corporation (ARRC), complete set of eight from 1¢ to \$10, B-1, a-h, all about AU. The Red Book states, "Each token is the size of the corresponding U.S. coin, with the exception of the one-cent piece, which is octagonal." This is incorrect! The \$5 and \$10 are larger than their gold counterparts. A very nice set, very much in demand in today's market.	800.00

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257	Alaska Token: Skagway , (Horseshoe), 6¼¢, B-13a, EF with some luster.	35.00
258	Alaska Token: Skagway , Shamrock Beer Parlor, O.P. Flynn, 12½¢, AU-BU. Each side has the outline of a shamrock.	45.00
259	Alaska Token: Snug Harbor , \$1.25 Per Box Clams, B-2a, EF. It appears that these tokens were used as tallies for clam diggers on the east side of Alaska peninsula across from Kodiak Island.	75.00
260	Alaska Token: Talkeetna , The Fairview, 12½¢, B-2a, cleaned Fine. The Fairview is still there!	65.00
261	Alaska Tokens: Valdez , The Pinzon, 5¢ and 15¢, B-16aII and bII, dirty and possibly been wet. Two pieces.	30.00
262	Alaska Tokens: Yes Bay , Alaska Pacific Fisheries, 5¢ and 10 ¢, B-3 a and b, both AU. Two pieces.	180.00
263	Alaska Coal Dollar . A 1922 Peace Dollar with the sticker "This is a Coal Dollar." This is one of the nicest we have seen. The sticker is about 99% complete, and scuffing is minimal. The sticker is a bit dirty, but this is to be expected. These were used to pay workers to show the local community the impact that coal mining has on the economy. We have heard the military would do the same thing by using \$2 bills.	30.00+
264	Fairbanks Trade Dollar , 1959. In 1959, Trade Dollars were issued by the Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce. Their use was quite widespread. Offered here is a silver restrrike, minted in 1964, and edge numbered 64-243.	50.00+
265	Sitka Trade Dollar , 1963. "Alaska's Historical Capital" with portraits of Seward, Baranof and Katlean. Struck in Sterling Silver and cupronickel. The Sterling Silver version is quite scarce. Two pieces.	40.00+
266	Alaska Medals: Fairbanks Coin Club , First Annual State Coin Convention, 1965. Matched set of silver and bronze number 109. We believe only 225 sets were minted. Has a nice map of the north polar regions.	75.00
267	Two Oil Related Items . The first is a paperweight - "Humble's Maiden Northwest Passage Voyage, S.S. Manhattan 1969." This is polished bronze and 72 x 65mm, oval with 16 "sides". It shows the route from New York through the Northwest Passage to Alaska. I believe this is the first that we have owned and is quite scarce. The second item is a 1974 Trans-Alaska Pipeline medal in bronze. It is in a bezel to be worn as a pendant. Two pieces.	50.00
268	Alaskan Express Bronze Medal . This massive 3½ inch diameter medal was minted from an old die circa 1910 discovered at the old jewelry supply company of Meyer Brothers in Seattle. Our own Dick Hanscom got his hands on several fascinating dies and had Medallion Art Co. strike them. This is number 18 of 100 struck. It is uniface with a nicely detailed dog team in motion. Also included is a one ounce silver commemorative medal struck for the 1985 Purchase of the Alaska Railroad from the Feds with one of the old diesel engines on the obverse, #203. Two pieces.	75.00
269	Iditarod Belt Buckle , 1980. These impressive buckles were first issued in 1978 and were limited to 1,049 (the race mileage). Jon Van Zyle designed the buckle using a depiction of "Scotty," Seppala's lead dog, as the theme in very high relief. This pewter buckle measures roughly 3¼ by 2½ inches. A rather scarce item today. The last price we found was \$130 in 1994. Consequently, we estimate...	150.00
270	State of Alaska Medal Set , 1989. A complete set of the silver P/L medals including the 1/10, ¼, ½ and 1 ounce. This is the first year for the program and the fractionals are hard to find. 4 pieces.	90.00
271	State of Alaska Medal Set , 1990. This was only the second year for the state medal series with a stylized walrus design selected. This lot consists of the ¼, ½ and 1 oz. proof-like. Three medals.	55.00
272	Error State of Alaska Medal , 1990. A single one ounce proof-like silver medal, but this one is struck off-center (about 5%) and was not seated in the collar properly so that the reeding on the edge is mostly absent. A rather bizarre.	30.00+
273	State of Alaska Medal , 1993 one oz. silver Proof-like. This is one of the most popular designs because of the Wolf obverse and the continuing saga of wolf control. We could not remember selling one to our good friend Priscilla Fernald.	30.00
274	Error State of Alaska Medal , 1994 Bear. Some time ago, we discovered that the Alaska Mint used the wrong die on a few of the ¼ oz. silver medals. The correct die stated ".999 Fine," but on a few medals the die used was for ½ oz. gold medals stating "One Half Troy Oz. .999+ Fine Gold"! This lot consists of one correct medal and one error piece. How many were minted incorrectly is a mystery, but only 1,550 total were minted. 2 pieces.	50.00+
275	State of Alaska Medals , 1996 Caribou. When the Alaska Mint took over this program in 1992, there was little visual difference between the Proof and Proof-like medals. One had to look at the edge to make sure (the Proofs were numbered with a plain edge, the P/L had a reeded edge). In 1996, the Mint clashed the Proof-like dies. To remove the clashing, the dies were sand-blasted. They then continued using the sand-blasted dies for the remainder of the year. Because the labor required was less, and the medals were easier to make, they continue to make these "matte" finish medals, still calling them Proof-like. This lot has one of each the 1 ounce medals: Proof-like and Matte. Two pieces.	60.00
276	Iron Dog Commemorative Silver Medal , 1999. This was the first and only year commemoratives were struck for this long distance snow machine race. Also included is a 2001 State of Alaska 1 oz. matte finish medal with a mountain goat. Both are in their original packaging. Two pieces.	60.00
277	Alaska Token Book . <i>Rubles to Statehood</i> , by Kay Fernald and Kay McDowell, 1965. This book is rather scarce and a must for a complete Alaska numismatic library. This copy is unbound, with its wrap-around cover showing some wear. These were usually bound by stapling, or punching three holes and binding with screw posts. The copy we offer here is signed by Kay McDowell. I paid \$100 for my copy over 30 years ago.	100.00+
278	Congressional Report: The Disastrous Fairbanks, Alaska Flood of August 1967 . This is a 72 page, paper-bound report by Senator Ernest Gruening on a special on-site investigation. It includes three maps and there are many photos of the flood and damage. Great for someone who did not have to experience the flood.	25.00+